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Claims 1-9, 11-24, and 26-41 are pending and under consideration. In the non-final Office Action of September 15, 2006, the Examiner rejected claims 1-9, 11-24, and 26-41 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by *Simonson, et al.*, “*Version augmented URIs for reference permanence via an Apache module design*” (“*Simonson*”). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections and address the Examiner’s disposition below.

Applicants’ independent claims 1, 15, 16, 30, 31, 37, 38, 39, and 40 each claim a network address that is contained within a document or web page. The network address includes both a timer value/time stamp and a calculated value, which is based on the timer value/time stamp. In an illustrative example, the network address may be a URL that includes both a timer value, such as a date and time, and a calculated value that is based on the date and time.

This is clearly unlike *Simonson*, which fails to disclose or suggest incorporating both a timer value/time stamp and a calculated value, which is based on the timer value/time stamp, in a network address that is within a document or web page. The Examiner argues that *Simonson* discloses a URI that includes both a timer value and a calculated value, which is based on the timer value. *Office Action of 9/15/2006*, page 3. Applicants disagree. Nowhere does *Simonson* suggest a URI that includes both a timer value and a calculated value, which is based on the timer value. Instead, *Simonson* clearly teaches that its URI may include either a timer value or a version. In fact, *Simonson* teaches that the system must be configured understand either revision history or currency in a URI, as each of these uses a different syntax:

As a heuristic guideline, the syntax used should reflect whether the revision history is of more interest (suggesting the version syntax) or whether the currency is of more interest (suggesting the time syntax).

Simonson, page 341-342.

Simonson describes several example implementations of its system. In each example, the URI includes either a timer value or a version, but never both. See, e.g., *Simonson* Figure 3 (version 1.2, no timer value) and Figure 4 (timer value, no version).

The Examiner cites a passage the describe how *Simonson* can map a date extracted from a URI to a version number. *Office Action of 9/15/2006*, page 10 (citing *Simonson*, page 340, lines 32-36). However, this passage still fails to teach a URI that includes both a timer value and a version. Instead, the cited passage reinforces that *Simonson*’s URI, in that example, includes

only a date, because *Simonson* must perform a mapping to derive a version. *Simonson* provides no examples of URIs that include both a date and a version.

For at least this additional reason, *Simonson* fails to disclose or suggest claims 1, 15, 16, 30, 31, 37, 38, 39, and 40.

Claims 2-9, 11-14, 17-24, 26-29, 32-36, and 41 depend directly or indirectly from claims 1, 16, or 40 and are therefore allowable for at least the same reasons that claims 1, 16, and 40 are allowable.

Applicants respectfully submit the rejection has been overcome and request that it be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that claims 1-9, 11-24, and 26-41 are patentable. It is therefore submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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